**TestNG Testing Framework**

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| How to make A Simple Batch (.bat) File to automate everyday tasks?   What is TestNG? So far we had been doing Selenium tests without generating a proper format for the test results. From this point on, we shall tackle how to make these reports using a test framework called TestNG.  TestNG is a testing framework that overcomes the limitations of another popular testing framework called JUnit. The "NG" means "Next Generation". Most Selenium users use this more than JUnit because of its advantages. There are so many features of TestNG, but we will only focus on the most important ones that we can use in Selenium. Advantages of TestNG over JUnit There are three major advantages of TestNG over JUnit:   * Annotations are easier to understand * Test cases can be grouped more easily * Parallel testing is possible   **Annotations in TestNG are lines of code that can control how the method below them will be executed**. They are always preceded by the @ symbol. A very early and quick example is the one shown below.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/annotations_1-0000.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/annotations_1-0000.png)  Annotations will be discussed later in the section named "Annotations used in TestNG", so it is perfectly ok if you do not understand the above example just yet. It is just important to note for now that annotations in TestNG are easier to code and understand than in JUnit.  The ability to run tests in parallel is available in TestNG but not in JUnit, so it is the more preferred framework of testers using Selenium Grid. Why do we need TestNG in Selenium? TestNG can generate reports based on our Selenium test results.   * WebDriver has no native mechanism for generating reports. * TestNG can generate the report in a readable format like the one shown below.   [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/report-0057.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/report-0057.png)  TestNG simplifies the way the tests are coded   * There is no more need for a static main method in our tests. The sequence of actions is regulated by easy-to-understand annotations that do not require methods to be static.   [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/usual_structure-0059.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/usual_structure-0059.png)  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/testng_structure-0058.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/testng_structure-0058.png)     * Uncaught exceptions are automatically handled by TestNG without terminating the test prematurely. These exceptions are reported as failed steps in the report.  Installing TestNG in Eclipse **Step 1**   * Launch Eclipse. * On the menu bar, click Help. * Choose the "Install New Software..." option.   [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_1-0046.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_1-0046.png)  **Step 2**  In the Install dialog box, click the Add button  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_2-0047.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_2-0047.png)  **Step 3**   1. In "Name", type TestNG. 2. In "Location", type http://beust.com/eclipse. 3. Click OK   [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_3-0048.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_3-0048.png)  **Step 4**   * Notice that "TestNG - http://beust.com/eclipse" was populated onto the "Work with:" textbox. * Check the "TestNG" check box as shown below, then click Next. * Note: In the latest Eclipse (Kepler) you don't have a checkbox for TestNG, instead you click on question mark (help) icon which will open up the form, and you can select all and installation will continue as for the remaining instructions. Thanks Jana for the tip!   [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_4-0049.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_4-0049.png)  **Step 5**   * Click Next again on the succeeding dialog box until you reach the License Agreement dialog. * Click "I accept the terms of the license agreement" then click Finish.   [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_5-0050.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_5-0050.png)  **Step 6**  Wait for the installation to finish  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_6-0052.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_6-0052.png)  If you encounter a Security warning, just click OK  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_6_b-0051.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_6_b-0051.png)  **Step 7**  When Eclipse prompts you for a restart, just click Yes.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_7-0053.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_7-0053.png)  **Step 8**  After the restart, verify if TestNG was indeed successfully installed. Click Window > Preferences and see if TestNG is included on the Preferences list.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_8-0056.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_8-0056.png) First test case using annotations Before we create a test case, we should first setup a new TestNG Project in Eclipse and name it as "FirstTestNGProject". Setting up a new TestNG Project **Step 1**  Click File > New > Java Project  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_1-0034.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_1-0034.png)  **Step 2**  Type "FirstTestNGProject" as the Project Name then click Next.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_2-0037.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_2-0037.png)  **Step 3**  We will now start to import the TestNG Libraries onto our project. Click on the "Libraries" tab, and then "Add Library…"  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_3-0038.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_3-0038.png)  **Step 4**  On the Add Library dialog, choose "TestNG" and click Next.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_4-0039.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_4-0039.png)  **Step 5**  Click Finish.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_5-0041.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_5-0041.png)  You should notice that TestNG is included on the Libraries list.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_5_b-0040.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_5_b-0040.png)  **Step 6**  We will now add the JAR files that contain the Selenium API. These files are found in the Java client driver that we downloaded from http://docs.seleniumhq.org/download/ when we were installing Selenium and Eclipse in the previous chapters.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_6a.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_6a.png)      Then, navigate to where you have placed the Selenium JAR files.    [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_6b.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_6b.png)    After adding the external JARs, your screen should look like this.    [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_6c.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_6c.png)  **Step 7**  Click Finish and verify that our FirstTestNGProject is visible on Eclipse's Package Explorer window.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_7-0045.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_7-0045.png) Creating a New TestNG Test File Now that we are done setting up our project, let us create a new TestNG file.  **Step 1**  Right-click on the "src" package folder then choose New > Other…  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_1-0029.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_1-0029.png)  **Step 2**  Click on the TestNG folder and select the "TestNG class" option. Click Next.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_2-0030.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_2-0030.png)  **Step 3**  Type the values indicated below on the appropriate input boxes and click Finish. Notice that we have named our Java file as "FirstTestNGFile".  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_3_final-0032.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_3_final-0032.png)  Eclipse should automatically create the template for our TestNG file shown below.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_4-0033.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_4-0033.png) Coding Our First Test Case Let us now create our first test case that will check if Mercury Tours' homepage is correct. Type your code as shown below.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/first_test_script-0024.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/first_test_script-0024.png)  Notice the following.   * TestNG does not require you to have a main() method. * Methods need not be static. * We used the @Test annotation. **@Test is used to tell that the method under it is a test case**. In this case, we have set the verifyHomepageTitle() method to be our test case so we placed an ‘@Test' annotation above it. * Since we use annotations in TestNG, we needed to import the package org.testng.annotations.\*. * We used the Assert class. **The Assert class is used to conduct verification operations in TestNG**. To use it, we need to import the org.testng.Assert package.   You may have multiple test cases (therefore, multiple @Test annotations) in a single TestNG file. This will be tackled in more detail later in the section "Annotations used in TestNG". Running the Test To run the test, simply run the file in Eclipse as you normally do. Eclipse will provide two outputs – one in the Console window and the other on the TestNG Results window.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/testng_results_window-0025.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/testng_results_window-0025.png)  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/console_window-0023.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/console_window-0023.png)   Checking reports created by TestNG The Console window in Eclipse gives a text-based report of our test case results while the TestNG Results window gives us a graphical one.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/text_vs_graphical-0016.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/text_vs_graphical-0016.png) Generating HTML Reports TestNG has the ability to generate reports in HTML format.  **Step 1**  After running our FirstTestNGFile that we created in the previous section, right-click the project name (FirstTestNGProject) in the Project Explorer window then click on the "Refresh" option.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/step_1-0019.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/step_1-0019.png)  **Step 2**  Notice that a "test-output" folder was created. Expand it and look for an index.html file. This HTML file is a report of the results of the most recent test run.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/test-output___index-0022.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/test-output___index-0022.png)  **Step 3**  Double-click on that index.html file to open it within Eclipse's built-in web browser. You can refresh this page any time after you rerun your test by simply pressing F5 just like in ordinary web browsers.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/3-1-2013_4-58-41_PM.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/3-1-2013_4-58-41_PM.png) Annotations used in TestNG In the previous section, you have been introduced to the @Test annotation. Now, we shall be studying more advanced annotations and their usages. Multiple Test Cases We can use multiple @Test annotations in a single TestNG file. By default, methods annotated by @Test are executed alphabetically. See the code below. Though the methods c\_test, a\_test, and b\_test are not arranged alphabetically in the code, they will be executed as such.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/code-0008.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/code-0008.png)  Run this code and on the generated index.html page, click "Chronological view".  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/chronological-0007.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/chronological-0007.png) Parameters If you want the methods to be executed in a different order, use the parameter "priority". **Parameters are keywords that modify the annotation's function**.   * Parameters require you to assign a value to them. You do.this by placing a "=" next to them, and then followed by the value. * Parameters are enclosed in a pair of parentheses which are placed right after the annotation like the code snippet shown below.   [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/parameter_and_value-0011.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/parameter_and_value-0011.png)  TestNG will execute the @Test annotation with the lowest priority value up to the largest. There is no need for your priority values to be consecutive.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/whole_code-0013.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/whole_code-0013.png)    The TestNG HTML report will confirm that the methods were executed based on the ascending value of priority.    [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/result_of_priority-0012.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/result_of_priority-0012.png) Multiple Parameters Aside from "priority", @Test has another parameter called "alwaysRun" which can only be set to either "true" or "false". **To use two or more parameters in a single annotation, separate them with a comma** such as the one shown below.   [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/multiple_parameters-0010.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/multiple_parameters-0010.png) [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/3-4-2013_9-06-43_PM.jpg](http://www.guru99.com/images/3-4-2013_9-06-43_PM.jpg)    @BeforeTest and @AfterTest   |  |  | | --- | --- | | **@BeforeTest** | methods under this annotation will be executed **prior to the first test case in the TestNG file**. | | **@AfterTest** | methods under this annotation will be executed **after all test cases in the TestNG file are executed**. |   Consider the code below.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/1-0004.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/1-0004.png)  Applying the logic presented by the table and the code above, we can predict that the sequence by which methods will be executed is:   * 1st - launchBrowser() * 2nd - verifyHomepageTitle() * 3rd - terminateBrowser()   **The placement of the annotation blocks can be interchanged without affecting the chronological order by which they will be executed**. For example, try to rearrange the annotation blocks such that your code would look similar to the one below.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/jumble-0005.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/jumble-0005.png)  Run the code above and notice that  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/result-0006.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/result-0006.png)  @BeforeMethod and @AfterMethod   |  |  | | --- | --- | | **@BeforeMethod** | methods under this annotation will be executed **prior to each method in each test case**. | | **@AfterMethod** | methods under this annotation will be executed **after each method in each test case.** |   In Mercury Tours, suppose we like to verify the titles of the target pages of the two links below.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/3_links_from_aut-0001.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/3_links_from_aut-0001.png)  The flow of our test would be:   * Go to the homepage and verify its title. * Click REGISTER and verify the title of its target page. * Go back to the homepage and verify if it still has the correct title. * Click SUPPORT and verify the title of its target page. * Go back to the homepage and verify if it still has the correct title.   The code below illustrates how @BeforeMethod and @AfterMethod are used to efficiently execute the scenario mentioned above.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/code-0002.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/code-0002.png)  After executing this test, your TestNG should report the following sequence.  [http://cdn.guru99.com/images/result-0003.png](http://www.guru99.com/images/result-0003.png)  Simply put, @BeforeMethod should contain methods that you need to run **before** each test case while @AfterMethod should contain methods that you need to run **after** each test case. Summary of TestNG Annotations **@BeforeSuite**: The annotated method will be run before all tests in this suite have run.  **@AfterSuite**: The annotated method will be run after all tests in this suite have run.  **@BeforeTest**: The annotated method will be run before any test method belonging to the classes inside the tag is run.  **@AfterTest**: The annotated method will be run after all the test methods belonging to the classes inside the tag have run.  **@BeforeGroups**: The list of groups that this configuration method will run before. This method is guaranteed to run shortly before the first test method that belongs to any of these groups is invoked.  **@AfterGroups**: The list of groups that this configuration method will run after. This method is guaranteed to run shortly after the last test method that belongs to any of these groups is invoked.  **@BeforeClass**: The annotated method will be run before the first test method in the current class is invoked.  **@AfterClass**: The annotated method will be run after all the test methods in the current class have been run.  **@BeforeMethod**: The annotated method will be run before each test method.  **@AfterMethod**: The annotated method will be run after each test method.  **@Test**: The annotated method is a part of a test case Conclusion  * TestNG is a testing framework that is capable of making Selenium tests easier to understand and of generating reports that are easy to understand. * The main advantages of TestNG over JUnit are the following. * Annotations are easier to use and understand. * Test cases can be grouped more easily. * TestNG allows us to create parallel tests. * The Console window in Eclipse generates a text-based result while the TestNG window is more useful because it gives us a graphical output of the test result plus other meaningful details such as:   + Runtimes of each method.   + The chronological order by which methods were executed. * TestNG is capable of generating HTML-based reports. * Annotations can use parameters just like the usual Java methods. |